

Representatives Gobi of Spencer and Pedone of Worcester move that the bill be amended in Section 2, in item 5930-1000, by adding at the end thereof the following: "; and provided further, that the department shall take no action to reduce the client population of any state residential-based facility for the mentally retarded, including intensive individual supports, for the purpose of closing said state institutions, and no steps shall be taken to close said institutions through attrition, layoffs or any other means until a study of any such reduction or closing shall be completed; and provided further nothing in said language shall preclude an individual from exercising his or her rights to transfer to a community based residential-based facility either state or vendor operated provided further, that the secretary for administration and finance shall conduct said study, which shall examine the costs, benefits and quality of maintaining said residential-based facilities (ICFS/MR state and vendor operated), and said secretary shall report in writing the findings and recommendations of said study or studies to the House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means not later than December 1, 2011"